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QUOTE

MEDIA REACTION

1. PANAMA CITY .--" 'A NEW ERA OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION'
STRESSES CARTER WITH THE TREATIES" HEADLINED GOVERNMENT-
CONTROLLED MATUTINO FEBRUARY 2 AY ALL MORNING DAILIES FRONT-
PAGED WIRE SERVICE COVERAGE OF THE FIRESIDE CHAT. SEMI-
INDEPENDENT LA ESTRELLA PROCLAIMED IN A
BANNER HEAD: "CARTER REAFFIRMS IT: U.S. IS NOT OWNER OF THE
CANAL ZONE."

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2. THE PRESIDENT'S TALK WAS CARRIED LIVE BY 27 RADIO STATIONS
AND ON THE 10 P.M. TELEVISION NEWS (AUDIO ONLY) TO AN ESTIMATED
AUDIENCE OF 600,000 IN PANAMA. IT WAS FURTHER REPLAYED AND
DISCUSSED IN GLOWING TERMS ON SEVERAL OF THE MORNING RADIO
TALK PROGRAMS.

3. MATUTINO IY ONLY DAILY TO MENTION THE CHAT IN ITS FEBRUARY 2

EDITORIAL, TERMING IT "ONE MORE EFFORT TO BRING HIS MESSAGE OF JUSTICE TO THE CONSIDERATION OF HIS FELLOW CITIZENS." THE EDITORIAL, ENTITLED "TWO MEN AND ONE DESTINY" TRACES THE LIVES OF CARTER AND TORRIJOS FROM THEIR RURAL ORIGINS TO THE LEADERSHIP OF THEIR COUNTRIES. SAYS MATUTINO: "AND THEN THAT DESTINY... PLACES THE TWO MEN FACE TO FACE. BUT NOT AS ADVERSARIES-- AS CHAMPIONS RESPECTFUL OF THE POINTS OF VIEW OF THE TWO NATIONS THEY REPRESENT."

4. MATUTINO CONTINUES: "AND WITH THAT MESSAGE OF TRUTH, THAT MESSAGE OF JUSTICE, UNEQUALED THUS FAR IN THIS CENTURY, CARTER AND TORRIJOS TRAVEL THE WORLD ... AND ALSO TRAVEL THE PATHS OF THEIR HOMELANDS, TALKING, PROVING, ANALYZING AND CONVINCING. LAST NIGHT, BEFORE A VAST TELEVISION AUDIENCE, PRESIDENT CARTER, CARRIED OUT ONE MORE EFFORT TO BRING HIS MESSAGE OF JUSTICE TO THE CONSIDERATION OF HIS FELLOW CITIZENS. HE DID IT WHEN THE EARLIER OPINIONS WHICH SHOWED HOSTILE TENDENCIES HAD YIELDED TO HIS ARGUMENTS."

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